PETITION FOR EXPRESS ABANDONMENT TO OBTAIN A REFUND	Application Number	10/581,688
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Petition for Express Abandonment Under 37 CFR 1.138(d) to Obtain a Refund

I hereby petition to expressly abandon the above-identified application to obtain a refund of any previously paid search fee and excess claims fee in the application. Please refund any search fee and excess claims fee paid in this application.

■ The Director is hereby authorized to credit the fee(s) to Deposit Account No. 15-0030

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